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Applicants: S.C. Cottrille et al. Attorney Docket No.: MSFT117226

Application No.: 09/339,634 Group Art Unit: 2176

Filed: June 24, 1999 Examiner: A. Romero

Title: ASSOCIATING ANNOTATIONS WITH A CONTENT SOURCE

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A. Amendment Transmittal

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- X 1. No additional claim fee is required, as shown below.  
       2. The claim fee has been calculated as shown below.

COMPUTATION OF FEE FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims	19	-	20	= 0 x 18 =	0
Independent Claims	3	-	3	= 0 x 84 =	0
TOTAL					\$0

B. Fees Enclosed

There are no fees due or enclosed.

C. Additional Fee Charges or Credit for Overpayment

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a

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request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this document is enclosed.

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In response to the Office Action dated July 31, 2002, please amend the application as follows.

In the Specification:

Please amend the Cross-References Section on page 1, line 19, to read as follows:

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CROSS-REFERENCES TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is related to co-filed and co-assigned U.S. Patent Application No. 09/339,635, filed on June 24, 1999, entitled "Scalable Computing System for Managing Dynamic Communities." This application is also related to co-filed and co-assigned U.S. Patent Application No. 09/339,733, filed on June 24, 1999, entitled "Scalable Computing System for Managing Annotations."

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In the Claims:

Please amend Claims 1, 7, 10, and 16, to read as follows:

*12/30/07* 1. (Amended) A scalable method of associating an annotation with a content source, the method comprising:

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